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P&amp;G Case No. CM-1903

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :  
Lynda Anne Speed et al. :  
Confirmation No. : 8480  
Serial No. 09/786,077 : Group Art Unit 1751  
Filed February 28, 2001 : Examiner G. Delcotto  
For THE USE OF AN ALIPHATIC-AROMATIC DIACYL :  
PEROXIDE IN A BLEACHING COMPOSITION :

AFTER-FINAL AMENDMENT

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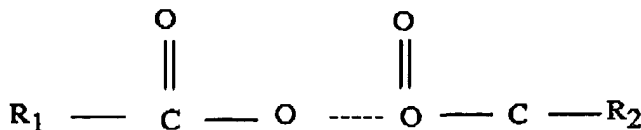
Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 9, 2002, the claims have been placed in condition for allowance. For changes see enclosed Version with Marked Up Changes. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for removing stains from fabrics and improving fabric color safety, said method comprising the step of contacting a soiled fabric with a bleaching composition comprising a diacyl peroxide of general formula:



wherein R<sub>1</sub> is an aliphatic group having from 1 to 30 carbon atoms and is selected from either linear, branch d, cyclic, saturated, unsaturated, substituted, unsubstituted or mixtures thereof and R<sub>2</sub> is an